

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 897

Short Title: Expanded West. Crime Lab/Existing State Bldg. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Blackwell, Hager, Starnes, and Dobson (Primary Sponsors).
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Referred to: Appropriations.

April 15, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
WESTERN CRIME LABORATORY FACILITY IN MORGANTON AND TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE STAFFING FOR THE LABORATORY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Department of Justice shall establish a Western Regional Crime Laboratory at a suitable location on underutilized State property on either the campus of Broughton Hospital or the North Carolina School for the Deaf in Morganton.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of two million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$2,900,000) for the 2013-2014 fiscal year to provide the costs for renovating property for establishment of a Western Regional Crime Laboratory, as directed by Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) for the 2013-2014 fiscal year and the sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year to establish 19 positions to staff the Western Regional Crime Laboratory upon its establishment.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.

